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Patrick Gottsch  
49 Music Square West  
Suite 103  
Nashville, Tennessee 37203

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Dear Mr. Gottsch:

As a young woman who had grown up as a "Tawnee", when we started getting RFTV my husband, a farmer, was very interested in your shows. As time went on, I started noticing shows I enjoyed on your channel & now probably 85% of our TV viewing is RFTV!

I especially enjoy the human interest programs & even have gotten interested in many of the tractor & other shows.

We will be very disappointed to lose this channel & it should be educational for anyone who is not farm oriented.

We live in an agricultural portion of New York State & are amazed at how little even people in our area know about farming - urban people need more info as to where their food comes from.

Keep up the good work & do not give up the fight for rural America.

Sincerely,  
Mabel P. Baker

David Mosher  
217 Weber Dr  
Eureka MO 63025-2013

Dear FCC:

Proceeding No. # 16-14

I watch TV on Direct TV.

I'm 62, a U.S. Navy - Vietnam Vet,  
and been disabled for last 25 yrs.

Would you please fight the Media  
Giants, and continue to carry RFD  
on all the Cable & satellite carriers.

Please, reduce the cost of RFD,  
where it would be on a basic  
channel list, affordable to people  
like me - Vets, who are on fixed  
incomes.

Please include RFD-TV in HD format  
also, on Direct TV.

I appreciate watching RFD-TV,  
my channel stays on it almost 24/7.

I enjoy the music shows, mainly  
the Marty Stuart Show.

Thanks - FCC,

and GOD BLESS,

Navy, Vietnam Vet - David W. Mosher

David W. Mosher

FEBRUARY 24, 2016

DEAR F.C.C.

DOCKET NUMBER 16-41

I AM ONE OF THE THOUSAND'S OF SENIOR CITIZENS ACROSS AMERICA THAT LOVE RFD-TV'S PROGRAMMING, AND I WOULD SAY 75% OF MY T.V. WATCHING WAS RFD-TV.

THERE ARE TWO REASONS I WENT WITH VERIZON FIOS.

#1 THEY CARRIED RFD TV.

#2 THE CONVENIENCE OF GETTING T.V., PHONE, INTERNET IN ONE PACKAGE WITH ONE MONTHLY BILL.

VERIZON FIOS OR ANY OTHER CARRIER SHOULD NOT BE ALLOWED TO DROP A CHANNEL, AGAINST THE WILL OF THE PEOPLE, THEIR CUSTOMERS, JUST BECAUSE THEY WANT TO. I SINCERELY HOPE THE FCC FORCES VERIZON FIOS TO REINSTATE RFD TV TO ITS LINEUP.

THANK YOU

Raleigh Washington

RALEIGH WASHINGTON

GLEN ALLEN, VA.

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Phone 95-852-2574.  
Marilyn D. Consul

FCC - proceedings 16-41.

Po RFD TV.

49 Music Square W.  
Nashville, TN, 37203.

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Dear Sirs;

I watch RFD TV on Direct TV. I am a 79½ year old widow living with my son and his family for economic assistance. He is retired Military from the Army Band and a subsequent music teacher for elementary and middle school students. We both appreciate the non-political attitude of the station and I appreciate the subjects covered as updated methods and machinery to improve production of our food and the opportunity to learn more about other areas of our country. I was raised on a small family farm and, having worked outside of the home myself, I can appreciate the convenience and comfort of being able to gain this knowledge as they relax at home and entertainment they are familiar with. I enjoy being able to put faces to voices I heard on the radio in pre-T.V. days. I especially like "Larry's Country Dinner" and "Cumberland Highlanders" and watch rodeos, some auctions and "Molly B's Bella Party".

I feel that the quality of this programming can be a positive influence on our young people as well as being a substitute for lost family and friends, and passes on ideas of conservation and ecology.

I hope the "bands" being taken for more internet use just as they were for Amateur Radio Operators earlier. I hope that doesn't cancel our chances. From my point of view, businessmen won't be able to save our country if this work and lifestyle isn't passed to provide food for us and other countries of the world. Sincerely,  
Marilyn D. Consul

Feb 23, 2016

To Whom it may Concern -

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It has been brought to viewers of RFD-TV that companies don't see the need for this one most important station continue being carried - I'm on the Dish - if I didn't get RFD-TV I wouldn't have a channel to watch - most days + nights - We Older folks like nice Clean programs - western movies, western music - Auctions - Rodeos - farm programs FFA conventions - parades -

It is wrong to put RFD-TV in a package where you pay a big amount in addition to the monthly charge -

Help us keep our Rural programming  
Thank

Patricia Peters  
Lawton, Oklahoma

Federal Communications Commission  
C/o RFD-TV  
49 Music Square West  
Nashville, Tennessee 37203

29 February 2016

Dear FCC:

Subj: Proceeding Number 16-41; Promoting the Availability of Diverse and Independent Sources of Video

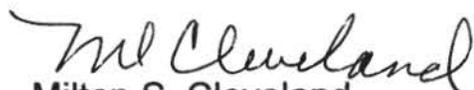
I watch RFD-TV on Dish TV. I am proud to acknowledge that being a red blooded American, born and raised in a rural community, the RFD TV channel is the only truly American programming on TV today, and my prayer is that it may continue to be aired in my home.

I feel that the devil's work is being supported by those who fear the clean Christian type of programming that RFD TV brings to our Nation. Therefore, my plea to the FCC folks is that they truly search their souls in the process of considering the FCC Proceeding Number 16-41, and, that politics will not win out by those who would put their greed over human decency and fairness to the American public. I have faith in the FCC to make a Christian choice in this matter.

A continuation of RFD TV being allowed to stream into all American homes is representation of our American freedoms and it will show the world that all Americans matter.

May God bless the FCC, and, their consideration of this heartfelt prayer to keep RFD TV on all television stations in the United States of America.

Sincerely,

  
Milton S. Cleveland  
P.O. Box 6336,  
Kingman, Arizona 86402-6336

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FCC  
# 16-41  
c/o RFD TV  
49 Music Plaza West  
Suite 301  
Nashville, TN 37203

We are aware that the FCC is having a public hearing  
regarding RFD TV.

My husband and I are elderly & retired.  
We watch equine shows, Ag shows, about Marketing of  
the product young farmers are growing. There are  
of educational shows including Ranching of <sup>are</sup> pure bred cattle  
& land conservation just to name a few. Entertainment  
is first class, including professional & amateur rodeos.

It would be a great disservice to drop RFD  
Those of us that live in the country rely on RFD TV & the  
rural programming they provide.

The FCC needs to provide services for  
both Urban & Rural customers.

Please take into consideration the needs of  
of the people that use RFD TV.

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Thank you

Loetta & Larry E. Hard

February 28, 2016

Case # 16-41

Federal Communications Commission

To Whom It May Concern:

I watch RFD-TV on CTV. I have been made aware that several of the cable companies are systematically discriminating against rural based and other independent television networks. Specifically, RFD-TV, The Weather Channel, The Outdoor Network, and several other like based channels. RFD-TV, and The Weather Channel specifically provide information that I use directly in my business as a professional Forester. In addition, I and my family use these channels to provide wholesome and enjoyable entertainment on a daily and weekly basis as well. There is no possible legitimate reason for the FCC to allow this discrimination to occur, please make sure these companies are admonished for this discrimination.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Doug Seott". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Doug Seott

Greenville, Alabama

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Dear #7C 1441  
Welford Whitlow  
165 Welford Place  
Brookneal Va ~~24536~~ 24528  
Telephone 1-4343965337

I am a farmer for one fifty years.  
We like FFA & Farm Bureau programs.  
Grain & Livestock prices reports  
Ketty Brothers agriculture program  
County music club members  
our most watched station.

Sincerely yours  
Welford Whitlow

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2-29-2016

Dear FCC; <sup>proceeding</sup> 16-41

I watch RFD TV on Direct TV. This is the channel I watch the most often of all the channels. It is the best ever, it is the most decent, no dirty language or undesirable stuff that could be harmful to youngsters.

RFD has many educational programs, along with good music and equine programs.

I watch mostly equine programs and music. The equine programs are very good at teaching the best techniques for training and riding horses, very humane!

I have spent my whole life raising, riding + training Arabian horses. I agree wholeheartedly that RFD is a wonderful connection between Urban life and Rural life. City folks need to know about food production, what is involved, and how it is done.

I have seen the joy on children's faces when they visit the farm and see and interact with the animals, and actually touch them.

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Olivia A Thompson  
8522 W Bryce Canyon  
Bathdrem Id, 83858

Feb. 27, 16

Dear Patrick, DOCKET FILE COPY ORIGINAL

My name is Melva Hartfield. I reside at  
2828 Cotswold St. My phone # is  
Florence, S. 29501 843 407-1463

I am a 78 year old widow and I watch RFD.  
TV. all the time my favorite shows are the  
Country Music shows Roy & Jay, Marty Steward,  
Ray Stevens, Pop Goes the Country, California Dreaming,  
Midwest Country, The Presleys and any thing  
else I can find on, that's interesting.

I watch R.F.D. on Time Warner Cable and  
also the Weather Channel. If they take it off  
I guess I have to stop watching T.V. because  
when I can't find anything I want to watch  
I put in a DVD and watch them. I have about  
all the Country Music reunions and a host of  
other individual DVD's. Marty Robbins, Webb  
Pierce, Conway Twitty, Memories DVD and a  
lot of others.

So please keep RFD on the air or else I  
stop watching T.V.

16-41

Sincerely,  
Melva Hartfield

FCC. 16-41

Sandra L. Pounsberry  
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11201 Preswick Lane  
Spotsylvania  
Virginia 22551

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I watch RFD-TV on Direct TV

Please make sure you keep RFD-TV on  
it is one of the only holson programs left  
for the whole family to watch. From age to  
redeo, Musical, weather, farm reports +  
educational information. The children of  
America need this station left on.

Thank You  
Sandy Pounsberry

110-41

Name - Ludwick Chovonec  
Address - 25493 Lakeside Dr. Hockley, TX. 77447  
Phone - 936 931 9867  
Satellite - Dish Network

We love watching the RFD TV shows. We watch the country & polka shows. RFD is the only reason we carry Dish. Please help us keep RFD on TV.

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Dear FCC 11041

My Name is Phil Edgington. I live in Ohio and I receive RFD TV through Direct TV satellite. I hope you can use your influence to see that providers of cable and satellite keep stations that are small like RFD and others from being taken off the air from being watch from anywhere in our Country. There are many interesting and important shows they include. They are important for small business to, as of lately I didn't know that there was a company making American Made Blue Jeans till I saw it advertise on one of RFD TV shows, which I sent off and purchase them. This is also important to smaller companies which doesn't have big advertising money to spend on larger Networks.

Big Media companies shouldn't have control over cable & satellite. If anything they should scale back on all the Networks that they own. PS I don't own internet service

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Thank You  
Phil Edgington  
20 East 8th Street  
Manchester Ohio 45144

March 1, 2016

To: FCC

Regarding 16-41

Dish Network is my television provider.

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We are concerned about the current attack on independent channels. RFDTV is a particular concern of our family. The diversity of programming on this channel is amazing: commodity markets, ag-weather, livestock, equine, rodeos, The Rose Parade, Tractors, Trains, FFA importance to the future, Music, et al.

We feel that this channel is capable of bridging a communication gap between rural-farm-ranch folks and urban dwellers. Urbans could benefit by understanding where their food and fabrics come from — (certainly not from Disney, CBS, ABC, NBC, Comcast, News Corp. (Media Corp, Viacom))

If you listen to the agricultural community, you can understand how this channel educates and connects and informs this vital part of feeding our people and people of the earth. Without the rural population, urban areas will not survive. If cities are destroyed, they can spring back up if farmers-ranchers survive and thrive!

The other independent channels Outdoor, Blaze, etc and other channels need to, deserve to be available. I block all those crappy "adult channels" foisted onto my service and applaud diverse, informative programming.

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Please, consider this issue carefully.  
RFDTV is a vital channel.

Holding the FCC to a higher standard...

Sincerely

Lynia Pasick

& Family

c/o 124 Seemichoop

Boerne, TX 78006

Dear FCC, "Proceeding 16-41"

I watch RFD-TV on Dish Network via satellite.

My name is Larry Dane, Phone # 517-769-5649

Address: 1657 Pennell Rd., Albion, MI 49224-9619.

Here are the reasons why RFD-TV should not be discontinued:

- 1) New information in American agriculture that farmers and ranchers need to succeed is discussed.
- 2) RFD-TV is vital to the American farmer to allow informed decisions in a world-wide competitive market.
- 3) Rural news, weather and in-depth commodities reports are featured for grains, cattle and pork markets.
- 4) Agricultural experts are featured to help our farmers with critical business decisions.
- 5) Many "recalls" have been aired, thus protecting our health against deadly food-borne illnesses.

Comments:

- ✓ Without this vital information available through RFD-TV to our American farmer we could be in jeopardy of other countries surpassing our knowledge, thus putting our country in grave danger.
- ✓ Why is it that we allow countless programs teaching wrong to our children and citizens BUT programming that teaches and informs the MOST important issues in agriculture, which is the backbone of America, possibly be discarded?  
Is this common sense? Without agriculture this country would go down.

Sincerely,



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1-18-16

Dear Verizon,

If you cancel RDF TV, where  
or how do we get our  
shows then?

The Farmers + Ranchers and  
the Senior Viewers need  
our shows.

The Farmers + Ranchers sure  
need their reports and  
information shows.

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The Seniors need our shows  
that we are used to  
watching, that are not on  
other stations. The shows  
of music that comes from  
Nashville.

Please have a HEART and  
(over)

don't cancel our favorit  
station.

Please be good to  
Seniors.

Thank you  
Very much.

Elvie Hatcher

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**Donna T. Delp**  
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 Ballantine, MT 59006-0224

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2-28-2016

FCC  
 c/o RFD-TV  
 49 Music Square West  
 Nashville, TN 37203

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Dear FCC,  
 Proceeding # 16-41

I watch RFD-TV on Dish network. I find RFD-TV very informative and a necessary tool in running a successful ranching operation. Your weather, ag markets & other related stories are very educational.

Wish you still carried the Superior Livestock Sale as you did at one time.

It is very nice to have someone broadcast our nat'l sport—rodeo. So enjoyed The American, the stories on the countdown and other rodeo and equine events.

Thanks for bringing those events to us and please continue to let RFD-TV to air on our Dish network.

Sincerely  
 Donna Delp